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SUBJ: BINDER ARTICLE

1. REGARD COUNCIL OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS INCLUSION OF BINDER
AND EXCLUSION OF MALCOLM BROWNE PARTICULARLY TROUBLING.
ALTHOUGH I DO NOT ALWAYS AGREE WITH BROWNE'S REPORTING,
HE HAS BEEN UNDER CONSTANT UNRELENTING ATTACK HERE IN
YUGOSLAVIA FOR AS LONG AS I HAVE BEEN HERE, AN ATTACK
WHICH BINDER HAS CONTRIBUTED TO BY HIS COMMENTS BOTH TO THE
YUGOSLAV EMBASSY AND HERE IN YUGOSLAVIA LAST SUMMER.

2. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES GOY WILL DRAW APPROPRIATE
CONCLUSIONS.

3. AS YOU MIGHT EXPECT I WAS DISHEARTENED BY BINDER
PIECE WHICH YOU KNOW TO BE FALSE IN NUMEROUS RESPECTS.
I WOULD HAVE THOUGHT YOU WOULD HAVE MADE CERTAIN THAT IF
THE STORY WAS TO BE CARRIED, IT WOULD BE CORRECT. MY
CONTEMPT FOR YOUR ASSOCIATES KNOWS NO BOUNDS.
SILBERMAN

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